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Also during this period, EMBKE introduced me to HASS saying HASS was an agent of the CIC, under the Monaco Di Baviera Command. With HASS also, not withstanding a favorable beginning, I accomplished nothing because Maresciallo GROCETTI described him to me as a dangerous type who could get me into trouble. Subsequently, I learned that HASS had been expelled from Italy. I saw him shortly after he had returned to Italy by chance in via del Corso, and have seen him various times lately as I have stated to the C.S.

During this last period, I on several occasions met Karl HASS, German, who was introduced to me in 1951, as I have already written, by Arturo WOLFRUN. After his departure from Italy, I happened to see him again a few days after his return as he was going into Roberts Drugstore at the corner of piazza In Lucina. I had a brief conversation with him, which seemed to irritate him. I saw him again in July 1953 with the Italian woman, whom he passes off as his wife, and her child. I stopped to speak to them for a couple of minutes, and we met the next day, as always, in the 1st and 2nd Class bar of Stazione Termini. On this occasion he told me that he was working for the new German service and that he needed money. In addition, he offered me a form of collaboration for (reporting) on different subjects, and to convince me of his potentialities, he pulled out of the briefcase which he always carries, some type-written copy concerning the following subjects: a long report on the Czech armed forces, a plan of the military base of Berg on the frontier between Austria and Russia (sic), indicating fortifications, military equipment, etc., and a long report on the PCI. He also had other documents in his briefcase which I didn't get to see. He told me that he couldn't live far from Rome since he was fond of Italy and had found life impossible in other countries. On the same occasion, HASS had awful things about Harold EMBKE. The same was the case after HASS left when I met EMBKE at Porta Pia. When these two are together they get along perfectly, but when they are alone they say terrible things about each other. After the meeting at the station, HASS made an appointment with me which he did not keep. I have informed both the C.S. and the "I" Office of these meetings. In November 1953 - I don't remember the day, - HASS telephoned my home, saying that he needed to see me and that it was urgent. He arrived with EMBKE whom I wasn't expecting. He immediately got down to brass tacks and asked me whether the Israelis would be interested in a trip which he was going to make to Egypt and the Arab countries for intelligence purposes. He was to go to Cairo as a guest of the NECHIB government with the Italian delegation to the meeting of the World University Organization, which has has as antisemitic, anglophobe, anti-imperialist orientation and is financed by Juan PERON, president of Argentina. He told me, in addition, that he would be able to approach both in Egypt and in other Arab countries many German officers who are presently acting as military instructors in Egypt. What is more, he would be able to stay at the home of the German colonel Wilhelm BEISNER at 2 Sharia Scherif Pachia, Lewa Build., Cairo. This colonel is very famous in Egypt because he liberated the Grand Mufti of

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Jerusalem and gave the English trouble during the war by supporting the guerilla warfare of Arab tribes. German officers gather in the home of this colonel, and among these officers HASS expected to find someone who needed money and would be ready to collaborate with the Israelis. I told HASS that I would have to ask some friend whom might be interested in his offer. He told me to hurry up since he had to decide on what to do. (EMBEKE was in complete agreement with him, and I noticed that his manner was sure and decisive - almost military - which was not the case before. I made another appointment with HASS, and I saw him again at home once in the afternoon, after which we left with fnu FAHI, a tailor, who had come with a sample. Thereafter, I saw HASS 3 or 4 times at the station, always reporting on the conversations. I remember that in one conversation Karl HASS told me that he was surprised that the Italian service made us of a man like UFFREDUZZI, a former SS agent. During the war, the latter, according to HASS, enjoyed a reputation completely out of proportion with his possibilities, and contemporaneously worked for the British, having initiated his collaboration with them during the war.

While we were at the station, he pointed out a man who was tall and thin and told me his name with the remark that he was an English spy in Italy. He was allegedly a German who had a mortal hatred of HASS. I have already reported about this matter.

In a report which Arturo WOLFRAUN wrote for me in 1951, he said among other things that HASS had been seen leaving the Botteghe Oscure, but I don't know whether this is true.

During one of these conversations which I had with HASS at the station, I was seen by the Israelis. I reported on this matter. WEINSTEIN's reaction seemed exaggerated to me: with his eyes popping out of his head, he told me that I no longer belonged to their organization because I had started dealing with their worst enemy, and since he had lost 50 relatives who were killed by the Germans, he could not permit anyone who worked for him to have any kind of relations with a murderer who had had 30,000 Jews killed.

I saw HASS for the last time at Rosati's in the piazza del Popolo. I afterwards tried to get in touch with him but didn't succeed. I (finally) reached him at the company that he runs together with EMBKE, but since he made an appointment and then didn't show up, I completely lost interest in him.

The same proposal which HASS made to me for passing to the Israelis, he repeated to Amin FAHIM, Faruk's secretary, whom he met at the hotel Parioli in viale Bruno Buozzi.

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